

MRS. A. J. DREXEL GRANTED DIVORCE

London Court Awards Decree on Statutory and Desertion Charges

STORMY MARITAL RECORD

Testimony Showed Banker Said It Was "Impossible" to Live in U. S.

Mrs. Anthony J. Drexel, wife of the widely known Philadelphia banker, has been granted a decree of divorce. It was signed in the divorce court in London, England, today on the ground of desertion and statutory charges.

The stormy marital career of the Anthony J. Drexels has about seventy of two court cases more or less on the quill vixen for several years.

Mrs. Drexel, who was Miss Margaretta Armstrong, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Armstrong, of Baltimore, started divorce proceedings in Philadelphia in 1910.

Later the Drexels moved abroad. They separated. In 1915 the British courts were invoked by Mr. Drexel against enforcement of his wife's terms of the separation by which he was to pay her alimony of \$50,000 a year.

Mr. Drexel's income at that time was placed at about \$250,000 a year.

After being threatened even with jail by British authorities in the alimony fight, Mrs. Drexel moved to Paris.

During the proceedings, testified several times that her husband had said "It was impossible to live in America."

This and other testimony caused almost a furor throughout America and among many prominent and influential Americans living in London and Paris.

Mr. Drexel denied many of the allegations at the time. He declared emphatically that he had never said that America was a "rotten hole."

The Drexels were married in 1886. They have five children—A. J. Drexel, Jr., who married Miss Marjorie Gould; Margaretta, who married Viscount Maidstone at one of the most fashionable weddings of the London season; J. Armstrong Drexel, the aviator; Mae Sarah Drexel and Louis C. N. Drexel.

When the Drexels separated it was alleged that an agreement for \$50,000 a year alimony was made between them. At one time Mr. Drexel started to institute a suit of separation against his wife, but the suit failed. It was said, because both were then in France, where they were non-residents.

One of the many high lights of the domestic discord of the Drexels were brought out in court when the \$50,000 suit was tried. Mrs. Drexel testified at the time that her husband had assaulted her. A verdict was rendered in her favor. After more than a year the suit for divorce was started.

The names of Drexel is representative of all that is best in the social life as well as the financial life of Philadelphia. Anthony J. Drexel is the grandson of Francis M. Drexel, who founded the banking house of Drexel & Co., of which T. Stotesbury is now the active head.

For several years after their marriage the Drexels lived at an extensive place at Lansdowne; later, when their house was destroyed by fire, they resided at Eighteenth and Walnut streets.

Mrs. Drexel was very popular and her social ambition led her to London in 1896, where the couple took possession of Wyndham House in Oxford, taking their three children, Anthony, Jr., Margaretta and Mae Sarah, with them.

Mrs. Drexel's social conquests were the talk of London and Philadelphia, and many of the nobility attended the affairs held in London. In 1901 Mr. and Mrs. Drexel brought over a party of guests in their yacht to witness the American cup races and extensively entertained while in this city. Later in the year Mr. Drexel bought the Red Rose Inn property at Villanova.

Mrs. Margaretta Drexel shared with her mother social distinction in London, and on June 6, 1907, was presented at the third court of King Edward and Queen Alexandra, which was held in Buckingham Palace.

Only recently Mr. Drexel caused considerable comment by serving as a stretcher-bearer with a British ambulance corps during the campaign in France.

CORONER FREES HINES AFTER MOSER INQUEST

Holds Guardsman Blameless Whose Gun Killed Comrade After Accidental Fall

In the inquest into the death of Guardsman C. Moser, of Company D, First Regiment, twenty-two years old, of 2222 West Berks street, a coroner's jury rendered a verdict of accidental death and discharged Corporal Carl F. Hines, of the same company, on May 15. Corporal Hines slipped on a board and fell to the ground. His gun was discharged and the bullet struck Moser in the head. The latter died the next day in St. Timothy's Hospital.

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ROMANCE AT SING SING CRACKS; HOPPE STILL IN

Society Girl Wins His Pardon, but Says She Isn't Going to Marry Him

NEW YORK, May 25.—Apparently shattering what had been regarded as a Sing Sing romance and possibly upsetting plans for the liberation of Henry U. Hoppe, convict, just when the barred doors were opening to release him, Miss Mary A. Fairchild today denied she intended to marry Hoppe, and asserted she had never promised to marry him on condition that he be freed.

In the belief that Miss Fairchild, member of a prominent Westchester family, stood ready to marry Hoppe when he stepped from Sing Sing, Governor Whitman pardoned him. Hoppe was serving from three to six years for carrying a weapon.

Miss Fairchild, cousin of Congressman Fairchild, met him while she was doing Sing Sing welfare work.

After the pardon had been granted, however, Miss Fairchild announced this afternoon she had been misunderstood. She declared her statement had been to the effect that Hoppe was such a good man that she, or any other woman, should be willing to marry him if he were released.

Hoppe is still in Sing Sing.

GERARD WILL SPEAK AT ACADEMY TONIGHT

Ex-Envoy to Germany Will Show Need for Red Cross Work in Europe

James W. Gerard, former United States Ambassador to Germany, will arrive in Philadelphia this afternoon and will deliver an address at the Academy of Music tonight. During his stay in Philadelphia Mr. Gerard will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert K. Cassatt, at their Rosemont home.

Mr. Gerard will address a mass-meeting at the Academy, which is under the auspices of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Red Cross. He will tell of his experiences in Germany and emphasize the immediate need of more assistance to the American Red Cross, because of the plan of the War Department to send troops to European battlefields in the near future.

The twenty-six directors of the chapter, including several women who have been leaders in the work of the Emergency Aid and the Women's Pennsylvania Division for Preparedness, will occupy seats on the stage. George Wharton Pepper, who is one of the directors of the chapter, will introduce Mr. Gerard, and E. T. Stotesbury, who is also a director, will speak.

Proceeding the address by Mr. Gerard, Boy Scouts will raise a large American flag on the stage with imposing ceremonies. Military corps and the flag will be escorted by G. H. Pinkstone, president of the Boy Scouts' Veterans' Troop.

Tickets for the entire seating capacity of the Academy of Music have been distributed, the 4000 seats having been disposed of within forty-eight hours after they were placed on distribution.

QUIT WHITE HOUSE SIEGE, SUFFRAGISTS ARE ADVISED

Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt Tells Miss Alice Paul That Patrol Is Harming Cause

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CHURCH TO ASK CHARTER

Application Will Be Made by Peter Park Presbyterian

Applications will be made soon for a charter for the new Peter Park Presbyterian Church, which was organized last night under the direction of the Presbyterian North. The church, which is located at Linekin Pike and Washington Lane, was formerly known as Calvary Mission.

With the development of East Germantown, the mission extended its usefulness. The new church has 124 charter members. Rev. Dr. William Barnes Lower was appointed moderator of sessions until the appointment of the pastor.

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ALLEGED ONION KINGS ROUNDED UP BY U. S.

Federal Prober Charges Vast Speculation Scheme—Entire Crop Bought Up

BOSTON, May 25.—A round-up of the onion kings indicted by the Federal Grand Jury here for illegally controlling 75 per cent of America's 200,000,000-pound annual crop was in progress throughout the country today.

United States Attorney George W. Anderson, who made the national investigation on which the indictment of eighty-eight dealers was based, today charged that the National Onion Association is responsible for the onion corner.

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STATES STAND BEHIND FOOD ADMINISTRATOR

Governors Assure Hoover of Co-operation and Support in Conservation Program

WASHINGTON, May 25.—The forty-eight States of the American Union today stand squarely back of the Administration's plans for food control during the period of the war.

Herbert C. Hoover, the American "food administrator," on taking up the duties imposed upon him by President Wilson, sent telegrams to all State Governors asking their co-operation and assistance in carrying out his difficult task.

Today Hoover has received replies from virtually all state executives pledging their support to the Administration's plans. Many of the Governors offer to call special sessions of their State Legislatures if it is found that legislation is needed to empower them to turn over entire control of food production and conservation to the Federal Government.

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COUNTRESS KEEPS COOL WHILE FLAMES RAGE

Roused From Slumber by Clangor of Fire Bells, She Bravely Arouses Household

Firebells aroused the Countess Ruelens from peaceful slumber. Wheels rattled over the street and there was a scurrying of feet on the sidewalk.

The Countess raised the window of her home at 1917 Dauphin street and looked out. She saw a flock of fire engines and hose carts. There was a babble of voices and much commotion—but the Countess could not see where the conflagration was located.

A fireman ran to the door of her home and rang the bell. She called to him from the window.

The gallant fire laddie removed his helmet with the grace of a chess knight. "Madame, your house is on fire," he said. But the Countess was cool. She bravely aroused other occupants of her home and throwing a cloak over her head, strode her way downstairs through the smoke to safety.

At the rear of the house she found the yard—at least the fence—in flames, and many other household articles were enveloped.

The fire was caused by a cigarette smoked by a relative of the Countess. A spark ignited a candle on a pillow, which ignited a couch, which threw its yard ignited the fence. A neighbor looked out the window—firebells.

Incidentally, the Countess, who says she is the widow of Count Ruelens, Duc de Deauville, has had an interesting career. When she met the Count in 1910 she was a Mrs. Selzer. The Count came here to finance the Mississippi and Eastern Railroad. It was in Mississippi that Mrs. Selzer changed her name to Mrs. Ruelens, or rather Countess Ruelens. Then the Count became an aviator and fought bravely and died for France. And now the former Mrs. Selzer is engaged in promoting a temperance drink which she believes will pave the way for prohibition.

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Caught in Switch; Killed by Train

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12.50 Porch Weave, 6x12 ft. 9.50
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16.50 Porch Weave, 9x12 ft. 12.75
2.25 All Fibre, 36x60 in. 1.50
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10.00 Lady Ferguson, 9x12 ft. 6.75
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7.00 Lady Ferguson, 6x9 ft. 4.50
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